GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:909
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PROMOTION OF HORTICULTURE IN ARID AND SEMI-ARID AREAS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether some projects have been sanctioned in the arid and semi-arid zones of the drought affected districts in the country;

(b) if so, the funds sanctioned under these projects during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(c) the details of the projects launched in the arid and semi-arid zones of Rajasthan during the said period; and

(d) the steps taken by the government to promote horticulture in arid and semi-arid areas in various parts of the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a) to (d): No horticulture projects have been sanctioned specifically for the arid zones of the drought affected districts in the country including Rajasthan. However, the Government is implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Macro Management in Agriculture-Supplementation/complementation of State Efforts through Work Plans under which, among other things, the farmers are being given assistance for taking up cultivation of horticulture crops. This scheme is being implemented in all the States & UTs in the Country including Rajasthan. Under the scheme the State Governments are given freedom to take up programmes as per their felt needs and requirement. The state-wise details of funds provided under the scheme during the last three years and the current year is given in the statement at annexure-I.

Annexure-I

Statement showing the statewise releases of funds under Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Macro Management in Agriculture

S. No. States Funds Released Allocation Central Share)
(Rs. in lakhs)

2001-02 2002-03 2003-04 2004-05

1	ANDHRA PRADESH	2250.00	1900.00	3800.00	3600.00
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	219.50	463.20	317.28	500.00
3	ASSAM	523.50	350.00	350.00	800.00
4	BIHAR	1800.00	1250.00	900.00	1800.00
5	JHARKHAND	1095.00	600.00	1200.00	1800.00
6	GOA	200.00	162.20	131.04	200.00
7	GUJARAT	1900.00	1600.00	1150.00	2300.00
8	HARYANA	1620.00	1600.00	1662.00	1600.00
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH	1800.00	1600.00	1585.15	1600.00
10	JAMMU & KASHMIR	900.00	1932.00	1680.00	1600.00
11	KARNATAKA	5850.00	5338.00	5580.00	1400.00
12	KERELA	2313.54	2762.00	2348.00	5700.00
13	MADHYA PRADESH	5000.00	4350.00	4400.00	2900.00
14	CHHATTISGARH	1339.02	1138.00	1600.00	4500.00
15	MAHARASHTRA	9000.00	7612.00	8400.00	8200.00
16	MANIPUR	345.00	300.00	300.00	700.00
17	MIZORAM	720.00	810.00	820.00	900.00
18	MEGHALAYA	202.74	700.66	427.25	700.00
19	NAGALAND	776.80	660.00	880.00	900.00
20	ORISSA	1485.00	1250.00	1967.31	2300.00
21	PUNJAB	1035.00	850.00	1500.00	
22	RAJASTHAN	5250.00	6700.00	6571.19	6800.00
23	SIKKIM	422.00	330.00	500.00	600.00
24	TAMILNADU	4500.00	3360.00	4275.00	4300.00
25	TRIPURA	630.00	900.00	715.34	800.00
26	UTTAR PRADESH	7500.00	6885.00	7375.00	7000.00
27	UTTARANCHAL	1400.00	1290.00	1600.00	1600.00

28	WEST BENGAL	2500.00	1427.47	1920.00	2400.00
29	DELHI	-	80.00	50.00	100.00
30	PONDICHERRY	135.00	100.00		100.00
31	A&N ISLANDS	90.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
32	CHANDIGARH	50.00		25.00	
33	DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	135.00	100.00	10.00	50.00
34	DAMAN & DIU	45.00		25.00	
35	LAKSHADWEEP	90.00	100.00	50.00	100.00
	Total	63122.10	58600.76	62664.56	69500.00